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PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2829

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kazunori SAKURAI Group Art Unit: 2829

Application No.: 09/987,409 Examiner: L. Kilday

Filed: November 14, 2001 Docket No.: 111109

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE THEREOF,

CIRCUIT BOARD, AND ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENT

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In further reply to the November 21, 2003, Office Action, the reply being extended to March 21, 2004 by a Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and Remarks.